that the Examiner withdraw his objection to the declaration in view of the above information and attached documents.

DRAWINGS:

New corrected formal drawings are submitted herewith in order to satisfy the Examiner's objections thereof. A redlined version of the corrected drawings, showing the changes made, is also enclosed.

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Once Amended) A software object included in a computer system, comprising:

a platform dependent method; and

a platform independent wrapper arranged to call the platform dependent method, wherein a platform independent object accesses the platform dependent method by calling the wrapper, wherein the wrapper then calls the platform dependent method.

10. (Once Amended) A computer-implemented method of accessing a platform dependent method by a platform independent object in a computer system, the computer system having an encapsulation object, the method comprising:

calling a platform independent wrapper by the platform independent object; and

calling the method by the wrapper wherein the wrapper is included in the encapsulation object.

17. (Once Amended) A computer-implemented method of accessing a platform dependent method by a platform independent object in a computer system, the computer system including a system manager, an encapsulation object that contains the platform dependent method and a business card associated with the platform independent object, the business card containing configuration data that includes an encapsulation object pointer that is used to identify the encapsulation object containing the platform dependent method, comprising: